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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: : ELECTRIC STEERING COLUMN APPARATUS

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 20, 2005 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting Claims 13-32.

The items checked below are appropriate:

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Respectfully submitted,

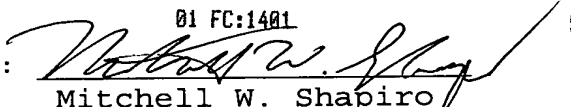
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